

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 18, 2007, has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims, and the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

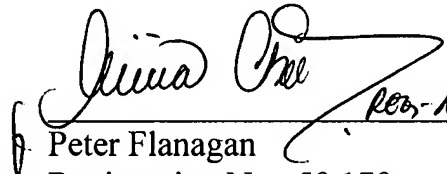
Claims 21, 40, and 59 are currently pending in the application. Claims 21, 40, and 59 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter, but were objected to as dependent on rejected base claims. Claims 21, 40, and 59 have been rewritten in independent form, including all the limitations of the base claims upon which the claims respectively previously depended. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 21, 40, and 59 are in condition for allowance, and a timely notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20, 22-39, 41-58, and 60-63 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Thus, the rejections of those claims are moot, and should be withdrawn. Withdrawal of those rejections is respectfully requested.

If, for any reason, the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, Applicant's undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

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